

Agenda
February 5, 2011 – February 18, 2011

County Council
Monday, February 7, 2011
Banneker Room
George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD
7:30 p.m.

Legislative Session

Day #2

Approve Journal – January 3, 2011

Approve Minutes

Legislative Work Session – January 18, 2011
Legislative Public Hearing – January 18, 2011
Legislative Work Session – January 24, 2011

Introduction of Legislation

The following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted:

Appointments

Council Resolution No. 8-2011 - Introduced by The Chairperson - Confirming the appointment of Joan Becker, Irfan Malik, David A. Marker, Cheryl M. Miller, David Myers, Kevin Rodkey, and Lawrence Walker to the Councilmanic Redistricting Commission and naming Lawrence Walker as the Chairperson

Council Resolution No. 9-2011 - Pursuant to Section 2-105 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, approving the names of Kent Finkelsen, Paul Gudelski, Wayne Lesonick, and Renee C. Mierczak to be submitted to the Director of the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation as nominees for the position of Howard County Supervisor of Assessments

General

Council Bill No. 4-2011 - Introduced by Greg Fox - Amending an uncodified section in Council Bill No. 14-2007, as amended by Council Bills No. 11-2008, 2-2009, and 62-2009, that required certain connections to the Planned Service Area for water and sewer within a certain time in order to extend the time to make the connections; and providing for the application of this Act

Council Bill No. 5-2011 - Reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; creating an Office of Transportation within the Department of County Administration; setting forth the duties and responsibilities of the Office of Transportation; setting forth the general qualifications of the Administrator of the Office of Transportation; providing that the Administrator of the Office of Transportation will be an executive exempt position appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer with the approval of the County Executive; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government

Council Resolution No. 10-2011 - Introduced by The Chairperson - Establishing a Charter Review Commission to review and make recommendations concerning the Howard County Charter; appointing certain persons to serve on the Commission; appointing a Chairperson; providing for the duties of the Commission including the duty to submit a final report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Redistricting Commission

Council Resolution No. 11-2011 - Introduced by Chair and Courtney Watson - Amending the Howard County Council Rules of Procedure to conform to longstanding practices; authorizing the Chairperson to cancel a meeting under specified circumstances; clarifying when the Council is permitted to conduct closed sessions and who may attend such sessions; clarifying that the Chairperson may, but need not, vote; clarifying the way that Administration requests are characterized; and generally relating to the Council Rules of Procedure

Council Resolution No. 12-2011 - Endorsing and authorizing the Howard County Executive to file an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for certain grants under the Federal Transit Act

Final Consideration

Consent

Council Resolution No. 1-2011 - Introduced by the Chairman and at the request of the Executive - Recommending to the Governor of Maryland that Mary Kay Sigaty be appointed to the Patuxent River Commission

Council Resolution No. 2-2011 - Introduced by: Chairperson - Appointing James P. Howard II to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2015

Council Resolution No. 3-2011 - Confirming the appointment of Arthur C. Gold to the Commission on Disability Issues

Council Resolution No. 4-2011 - Confirming the reappointment of Laurence C. Aaronson to the Public Ethics Commission

Council Resolution No. 5-2011 - Confirming the reappointment of Leola Howard to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority

Council Resolution No. 6-2011 - Confirming the reappointment of Margaret Ann Nolan as County Solicitor

Council Resolution No. 7-2011 - Confirming the reappointment of Diana Carson Seybolt, Ph.D. to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority

Financial

Transfer of Appropriation Ordinance No. 2-Fiscal Year 2011 - Transferring a total of \$27,500,000 to capital project C0282, Government Service Campus, from capital project C0214, Category Contingency Fund

Council Bill No. 1-2011 - Authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$27,500,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of Capital Project No. C0282 (Government Services Campus), more particularly described in the County's 2011 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith

General

Council Bill No. 2-2011 - Pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and TD Equipment Finance, Inc., for the acquisition of certain equipment to be used at the Alpha Ridge Landfill

Council Bill No. 3-2011 Introduced by Greg Fox/Co-sponsored by Courtney Watson - To establish a Veterans' Commission; specifying its composition and duties; requiring a certain annual report; requiring County agencies to cooperate with the Commission; and generally relating to veterans and active duty personnel in Howard County.

Tabled Legislation

Council Resolution No. 127-2010 - Confirming the appointment of James P. Howard, II to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board (Tabled 1/3/11)

Council Bill No. 55-2010 (ZRA-117) - Introduced by Greg Fox, Councilmember; Mary Kay Sigaty, Councilmember - Amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to amend the Supplemental Zoning District Regulations in order to change the setbacks located on residential lots, under certain conditions; to permit apiaries as an accessory use; and generally relating to apiaries (Tabled 1/13/11)

Council Bill No. 56-2010 - Clarifying certain sign requirements specific to Downtown Columbia under certain conditions; allowing signs of a certain size in Downtown Columbia; allowing certain signs in Downtown Columbia under certain conditions; allowing certain signs in the County rights-of-way in Downtown Columbia; allowing for certain signs to be illuminated in Downtown Columbia; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to sign requirements for Downtown Columbia (Tabled 1/3/11)

Council Resolution No. 134-2010 - Introduced by Courtney Watson, Mary Kay Sigaty, Calvin Ball, and Jennifer Terrasa - Creating a task force to study the composition, purpose, and other specified aspects of a Veterans' Commission in Howard County; providing for officers of and staff for the task force; specifying the composition and duties of the task force; requiring a certain report; and providing for termination of the task force (Tabled 1/3/11)

Council Resolution No. 138-2010 - Adopting Downtown-wide Design Guidelines for Downtown Columbia (Tabled 1/3/11)

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County Council

Monday, February 14, 2011

Monthly Meeting

Dr. C. Vernon Gray Conference Room

George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD

8:30 a.m.

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